

House Resolution No. 1692

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives fully recognize the meaningful role which the Boy Scouts of America organization plays in nurturing the positive development of prospective young leaders of the twenty-first century; and

Whereas, on April 27, 2003, Thomas Joshua "J.W." Neal of Poplar Bluff, Missouri, will reach an unforgettable milestone in his Scouting career with the Boy Scouts of America when he is presented with the coveted Eagle Scout Award during a Court of Honor ceremony at the First Assembly of God Church; and

Whereas, an outstanding member of Troop 452, J.W. distinguished himself by planning and carrying out his Eagle Project which involved painting the fence around Sacred Heart Catholic Church; and

Whereas, J.W. learned to accept responsibility while efficiently serving as Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, and Assistant Patrol Leader, positions which have prepared him to participate in and give leadership to American society; and

Whereas, J.W. gained tremendous self-confidence by attaining the skills and knowledge to earn twenty-eight merit badges and membership in the Order of the Arrow, where he has served as Troop Representative; and

Whereas, J.W. has successfully met many challenges during his years in Scouting and has enriched his life immeasurably by working as a dining hall steward at Camp Lewallen and by upholding the principles and the values that are such an integral part of the proud Scouting tradition; and

Whereas, the son of Thomas and Daranda Neal, J.W. has realized these and other achievements with the love, support, and encouragement of his scoutmaster, family, and friends:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in applauding J.W. Neal for his truly meritorious efforts to earn the rank of Eagle Scout and in wishing him only the best for his plans to enlist in the United States Air Force after graduation; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Eagle Scout Thomas Joshua Neal, as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative Gayle Kingery
District No. 154

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1692, adopted April 9, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker